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Dear Sir:

A request has been submitted to me by your division as to whether the Highway Patrol Division has power to make use of stop signs contiguous to schools where you have a school safety patrol in operation.

We think the Patrol Division has such power, although you might not be able to enforce the power in the same way as is done in cities under city ordinances. The use of the plan would, in almost all instances, accomplish what you seek to accomplish without any arrests or other police action being taken.

Under Sec. 1672-B, Subdivision 3, the Patrol Division has the power to place a speed limit OR OTHER RESTRICTIONS upon any portion of the highways when, in the opinion of the patrol superintendent, congested traffic OR OTHER CONDITIONS require such restrictions for public safety.

Under Subdivision 4 of the section the division has the power to cause such signs to be erected and maintained as may be necessary to give notice of such special restrictions.

The establishment of a zone to be policed by the school safety patrol would come under the term OR OTHER RESTRICTIONS and the making use of signs, whether permanently fixed signs or temporary warning signs, would come under Subdivision 4 of the section.

Very truly yours,

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